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Celebration of Three Kings Day with Children of the Community

Last Sunday, January 12, 2014, Assemblyman Phil Ramos (D- Brentwood District 6) and Legislator Monica R. Martinez (D- LD9) joined the Puerto Rican Coalition held at Knights of Columbus, located on 2nd Avenue in Brentwood, in celebration of *Three Kings Day*. The Coalition gathered children from all over the community in honor of this traditional event.

Assemblyman Ramos donated toys that were delivered to the children by the three magical characters, known as the wise men. *Three Kings Day* represents a Christian tradition, especially popular in the Hispanic culture, where three wise men from different parts of the world come together bearing gifts for the newborn Jesus. This festivity marks Christmas celebrations coming to end and the beginning of a New Year.

Angel Pavon, president of the Puerto Rican Coalition of Long Island, said "he was very pleased to have the opportunity to host this important event once again and he was appreciative of the support of both Assemblyman Ramos and Legislator Martinez." Mr. Pavon also took time to thank Assemblyman Ramos for donating the toys and bringing the children a moment of happiness while at the same time keeping Hispanic tradition alive.

Legislator Martinez thanked the Puerto Rican Coalition for inviting her to participate in this noble event as she concluded her first week in office as Legislator of the 9th District of Suffolk County. She stated she is committed to joining forces with organizational leaders and elected officials within the district to strengthen diverse cultures relationships by supporting various activities throughout the community.



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Assemblyman Ramos sent a special thank you to all those who made this event possible by working with him to collect the toys distributed to the children on this grand occasion. Moreover, Assemblyman Ramos commended Legislator Martinez for assuming her role as legislator and for participating in such a meaningful way. Ramos says, "Esto solo es una pequeña muestra del beneficio que representa para nuestra comunidad el hecho de que sus oficiales trabajen en coordinación y armonía, lo cual se traducirá en beneficios y mayor poder para los residentes de ésta área", meaning this is just a small sample of the benefits our communities will obtain by their elected officials who purpose to coordinate and work together in harmony, hence creating a greater power for the constituents.



(Photo: Monica R. Martinez joins Assemblyman Phil Ramos on January 12, 2013 to celebrate Three Kings Day)

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